# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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JOHN DOE : CIVIL ACTION NO.

Plaintiff, : No. 2:23-cv-00299-GAM

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HAVERFORD COLLEGE,

v.

COACH 1,

CAPTAIN A, and

STUDENT 1

Defendants.

Defendants Haverford College and Coach 1 (together, the "Haverford Defendants"), by and through their counsel, Saul Ewing LLP, hereby answer the crossclaim (the "Crossclaim") of Defendant Student 1 ("Student 1") as follows:

# HAVERFORD DEFENDANTS' ANSWER TO STUDENT 1'S CROSSCLAIM FOR CONTRIBUTION AND INDEMNIFICATION

Student 1's Crossclaim does not contain factual allegations against the Haverford Defendants requiring a response. To the extent a response is required, the Haverford Defendants deny the allegations. The Haverford Defendants further deny the allegations in the Crossclaim to the extent they misstate applicable law. By way of further response, the Haverford Defendants refer the Court to the Motion to Dismiss and Memorandum of Law in support thereof filed by the Haverford Defendants on April 11, 2023. (ECF No. 30).

WHEREFORE, the Haverford Defendants demand that judgment be entered dismissing Student 1's Crossclaim with prejudice, and awarding costs, attorneys' fees, and such other relief

to the Haverford Defendants as this Court deems just and equitable.

## AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

### FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Crossclaim should be dismissed because Student 1 fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

# **SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

Student 1's Crossclaim is barred, in whole or in part, by the doctrines of waiver, estoppel, laches, or unclean hands.

### THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Student 1's recovery in this action may be barred, in whole or in part, by her own wrongful conduct, or that of a third party over whom the Haverford Defendants had no control.

## FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Haverford Defendants acted in accordance with all applicable laws, practices, standards and regulations.

### FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Student 1's Crossclaim should be dismissed because the Haverford Defendants do not owe duties of indemnification or contribution to Student 1, contractual or otherwise.

# SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Student 1's Crossclaim should be dismissed because the Haverford Defendants did not breach any duties owed to Student 1.

#### SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Student 1's Crossclaim should be dismissed because Plaintiff has failed to state a claim against the Haverford Defendants. (See Motion to Dismiss, ECF No. 30).

**EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE** 

The Haverford Defendants hereby give notice that they intend to rely upon other such

defenses as may become available or appear during discovery proceedings in this case, and reserve

the right to amend this Answer and insert any such defense consistent with the Federal Rules of

Civil Procedure.

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Student 1's Crossclaim with prejudice, and awarding costs, attorneys' fees, and such other relief

to the Haverford Defendants as this Court deems just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

**SAUL EWING LLP** 

Date: April 28, 2023

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Joshua W. B. Richards, certify that on this date I filed via the ECF system a true and correct copy of the foregoing Haverford Defendants' Answer to Student 1's Crossclaim, which constitutes valid service on the following registered users:

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